

**FRUITPORT CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2015**

A work session of the Fruitport Charter Township Board began at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2015, in the township board room.

Members Present: Brian Werschem, Supervisor; Carol Hulka, Clerk; Rose Dillon, Treasurer; Trustees Ron Becklin, Dave Markgraf, Marjorie Nash and Chuck Whitlow. Members Absent: None

At 7:00 p.m., Supervisor Werschem opened the regular meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

Also Present: 2-township residents; 3-employees; DPW Director, Farrar; Public Safety Director, Doctor;

MERS representative; and Attorney Brad Springer

The March 23, 2015 meeting minutes—regular meeting—were approved as presented.

The motion by Marjorie Nash, seconded by Dave Markgraf, was **carried unanimously**, to approve the meeting agenda for April 13, 2015 board meeting with the following change:

Agenda Item I - Addition of the words "First Reading"

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS

Michigan Township Legislative up-dates

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lions members Jim Kauppila and Bruce Gaultney were in attendance asking questions concerning the Fruitport Lions Old Fashioned Days Agreement.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15-038 Regional Water System Agreement – Fruitport and Norton Shores

Chuck Whitlow moved, supported by Dave Markgraf, **MOTION CARRIED**, to adopt the

Regional Water System Agreement between the City of Norton Shores and the Charter Township of Fruitport, as recommended by the DPW Committee.

NEW BUSINESS-

15-039 Resolution to Support "Bike to Work Week"

The motion by Dave Markgraf, supported by Rose Dillon, was **carried unanimously**, to support the resolution "Bike to Work Week" the week of June 15-19, 2015.

15-040 Site lease Agreement Extension – Cingular Wireless PCS

Chuck Whitlow moved, supported by Rose Dillon, **MOTION CARRIED**, for the adoption of a resolution approving a five year extension of Site Lease Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC/AT & T, as presented.

Ayes: Whitlow, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Markgraf, Hulka, Werschem Nays: None

15-041 Agreement for Appraisal Services – Judeh & Associates

Marjorie Nash moved, Ron Becklin seconded, MOTION CARRIED, to approve a resolution to employ Judeh & Associates, in the amount of \$5,500.00, to appraise property at 5690 Harvey, Fruitport Township.

Ayes: Nash, Becklin, Whitlow, Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Werschem Nays: None

15-042 Junk and Inoperable Vehicle Ordinance – First Reading

The Township Board made a recommendation to change an existing Ordinance entitled Junk and Inoperable Vehicles, which provides for the regulation of the storage of junk and inoperable vehicles and motor vehicles.

This constitutes the first reading. Final action and consideration of adoption will take place at the next regular scheduled meeting on April 27, 2015.

15-043 FEMA Flood Plain Management Provision of the State Construction Code Ordinance – First Reading

The Township Board made a recommendation to adopt an ordinance entitled Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code which designates an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Charter Township of Fruitport, and to designate regulated flood hazard areas under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act. Fruitport Township residents who live in a flood plain can participate if the Township adopts an ordinance.

This constitutes the first reading. Final action and consideration of adoption will take place at the next regular scheduled meeting on April 27, 2015.

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15-044 MERS Defined Contribution 401A Plan

Dave Markgraf moved, Marjorie Nash supported, **MOTION CARRIED**, to enter into the MERS Defined Contribution Plan as described in the MERS Defined Contribution Adoption Agreement, and authorizes the Supervisor to execute the necessary paperwork. The first contribution will start the end of May 2015.

Ayes: Markgraf, Nash, Becklin, Whitlow, Hulka, Dillon, Werschem Nays: None

15-045 MERS Deferred Compensation 457 Plan

Chuck Whitlow moved, supported by Dave Markgraf, **MOTION CARRIED**, to adopt a resolution which will open a MERS Deferred Compensation 457 Plan effective as soon as possible and transfer all assets in the VOYA 457 Plan to the MERS Plan.

Ayes: Whitlow, Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Werschem Nays: None

15-046 Participation in Muskegon County GIS

Dave Markgraf moved, supported by Marjorie Nash, **MOTION CARRIED**, to enter into a Muskegon County Geographic Information System (GIS) for up to five years. The Agreement permits Muskegon County and the Charter Township of Fruitport to have for their official use access to or output from the County's geographical information system.

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Ayes: Markgraf, Nash, Becklin, Whitlow, Hulka, Dillon, Werschem Nays: None

15-047 2012 International Fire Code Ordinance - First Reading

The Township Board made a recommendation to adopt the International Fire Code, 2012 Edition.

This constitutes the first reading. Final action and consideration of adoption will take place at the next regular scheduled meeting on April 27, 2015.

15-048 Contract Extension for Assessing Services with Muskegon County

Chuck Whitlow moved, Marjorie Nash supported, **MOTION CARRIED**, to extend the Agreement for assessing services between the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners and the Charter Township of Fruitport which will provide property assessment services on a short term basis to be administered by the County Equalization Director, or designated representative, while the Fruitport Township's Assessor is incapacitated.

Ayes: Whitlow, Nash, Becklin, Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Werschem Nays: None

15-049 Police Cruiser Replacement

Chuck Whitlow moved, supported by Marjorie Nash, **MOTION CARRIED**, to replace the police cruiser that was totaled at the price not to exceed \$33,000 and using the insurance payout of \$17,400 toward the purchase price.

Ayes: Whitlow, Nash, Becklin, Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Werschem Nays: None

15-050 Closed Session to Discuss Legal Matters with Attorney

(a.)

Chuck Whitlow moved, seconded by Carol Hulka, MOTION CARRIED, to go into closed session at 8:07 p.m to consider a written opinion from the township attorney.

Ayes: Whitlow, Hulka, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Markgraf, Werschem Nays: None

(b.)

The motion by Chuck Whitlow, seconded by Dave Markgraf, was carried unanimously, to go back in open session at 8:45 p.m.

15-051 Payment of Bills

Dave Markgraf moved, seconded by Carol Hulka, **MOTION CARRIED**, to approve bills for payment in the following amounts: General Fund and Parks: \$29,923.71; Public Safety: \$101,538.47; Water: \$288,309.80; Sewer \$19,937.41 Total: \$439,709.39

Ayes: Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Whitlow, Werschem Nays: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS / ADDITIONAL REPORTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

The motion by Ron Becklin, seconded by Dave Markgraf, was carried unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

CAROL HULKA, CLERK

BRIAN WERSCHEM, SUPERVISOR

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